Public Works Department. It is desirable to leave it where it is.

396. Placing the roads, canals and lanes of the Alleppey Town under the jurisdiction of the Town Improvement Committee.

Mr. K. Chidambara Iyer B. A., L. T., on behalf of Mr. S. Krishna Iyer B. A., B. L., (T. I. C. Alleppey) requested that the roads, canals and lanes of the Alleppey town might be placed under the jurisdiction of the Town Improvement Committee and the annual budget allotment for the construction and maintenance of these public works within that area entrusted to them.

Reply.—The construction and upkeep of roads and canals must be left with the Public Works Department, as that is the proper agency for attending to such matters. The maintenance of lanes may, however, be looked after by the Committee, the expenditure on this account being met from the town fund.

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397. Opening of a road between Mannar and Haripad.

Mr. N. Madhavan Valiathan (Tiruvalla) represented that the people of Tiruvalla suffered much for want of a road between Mannar and Haripad.

Reply.—This cannot be undertaken. The cost is prohibitive.

398. Opening of another sub-registrar's office in Tiruvalla.

Mr. N. Madhavan Valiathan suggested that another sub-registrar's office might be opened in the taluk for the convenience of the people living in Kadapra, Mannar and other adjoining proverties.

Mr. K. C. Eapen B. A., (Kshema Thalpara Samajam, Kadapra, Tiruvalla) suggested that the proposed sub-registrar's office might be located with convenience and advantage at Kadapra.

Reply.—This matter is being considered by the Director of Registration. Orders will be passed when the reference comes up before Government.

399. Construction of two bridges on the Tiruvalla-Pulikizh road.

Mr. N. Madhavan Valiathan requested that the estimates for the construction of these bridges might be sanctioned as early as possible, as without the bridges the road was entirely useless.

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Reply.—The road is under reconstruction and the estimate for one bridge has been sanctioned. The other bridge will be taken up when funds permit.

400. Improvement of the canals from Peringara to Changanachery and Alleppey.

Mr. N. Madhavan Valiathan observed that both Alleppey and Changanachery were important commercial towns to which the people of Tiruvalla had very often to go but owing to the present neglected condition of the canals it was not possible to take boats or cargo freely. To remove this difficulty, the member suggested that the two canals might be deepened and the encroachments on them removed as early as possible.

Reply.—It is not desirable to spend more money on the improvement of these canals, but the removal of encroachments will be attended to.

401. Raising the Tiruvalla Vernacular Middle School into a High School.

Mr. N. Madhavan Valiathan suggested that, considering the importance of the taluk and the popularity of the present Vernacular Middle School for boys at Tiruvalla, it would be desirable to raise its standard and make it a High School. He also observed that there was no Vernacular High School in the Central Range.

Reply.—The matter is under consideration.

402. Construction of bridges and culverts on the Tiruvalla-Kozhenchery road.

Mr. N. Madhavan Valiathan represented that owing to the want of some bridges and culverts the road from Tiruvalla to Kozhenchery had become almost useless.

Reply.—This cannot be done as the cost is prohibitive.

403. Opening of a road from Kaviyur to Kallupara.

Mr. N. Madhavan Valiathan represented that this was very necessary.

Reply.—Further information will be called for.

404. Provision of a Town Improvement Committee for Tiruvalla.

Mr. K. C. Eapen B. A. (Kshema Thalpara Samajam, Kadapra,

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